

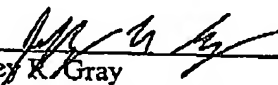
REMARKS

It is respectfully requested that the undersigned be provided with a report on the status of this application, including the status of the Notice of Allowability, Examiner's Amendment, Notice of Allowance, and the deadline for payment of the issue fee. Please advise whether the above claim amendments need to be entered, along with payment of an extension of time fee as authorized above, to maintain this application pending in the absence of the receipt by the undersigned of the Notice of Allowability, Examiner's Amendment and Notice of Allowance.

To the extent that a further telephone conference with the undersigned may be of any assistance, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the below-listed number.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 5-2-05


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